

Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board

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MINUTES Mt. Charleston Town Advisory Board

Thursday, June 30, 2011

Members Present: Pat Fitzgibbons Chair, Michael McGroarty, George Togliatti

Members absent: Curtis Alexander Vice-Chair, and Becky Grismanauskas, are excused.

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was posted in conformance with the Nevada Open Meeting Law.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Town Board members, County, State, Federal Government representatives, Public Utilities and Public Services representatives introduced themselves.

ORGANIZATIONAL ITEMS

The agenda for June 30, 2011 was approved. The minutes for June 2, 2011 were tabled.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

None

COMMUNITY CONCERNS

Nancy Lipski, Director, Clark County Comprehensive Planning asked the TAB for ideas of zoning issues and asking for input on how to better the process (Title 30). She stated that a lot of the other outlying areas want drainage studies turned in upfront, more information upfront, shorter time frames, and come back with updates more often. Becky Grismanauskas asked if there could be a way to control other entities. Nancy Lipski stated that the county cannot control other entities so they cannot make people comply with their rules. Jeff Andersen asked if this covers all projects. Nancy Lipski answered yes for all projects except on federal lands.

A resident asked if there is an email for comments or suggestions. Nancy Lipski said yes. It is zoning@clarkcounty.nv.gov. Pat Fitzgibbons and Becky Grismanauskas stated that they are very happy with the excellent relationship with the county.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Dept. – Sgt. Eric Fricker reported, there have been 4 burglaries in 4 months. Two have been solved. If the residents see something suspicious please call 311 from you phone immediately. There have been no new cases of mail theft. On June 30th, there were 7 traffic officers on the mountain. David Rogers, DA, said that check points for fireworks is illegal. There can be information check points but Metro cannot be involved.

Stephanie Myers, resident in Lee Canyon, stated that the enhanced 911 ballot measure did not pass, lost by 7 votes. If you call 911 from your land line you are transferred to 311, but if you call from your cell phone you get 911 without location detection.

Luke Ham stated that the USFS will not have any LEO's on the mountain during 4th of July weekend.

Clark County Fire Dept. – Mike Johnson reported from June 28 thru July 4th is the only time you can buy safe and sane fireworks. Any other time it is illegal. Mike Johnson will follow up with USFS about putting up "NO FIREWORK" signs. Construction at station 81 had its ground breaking a couple weeks ago. There will be construction updates every Tuesday. The extra dirt and Conex box is on the county lot in Old Town.

Jeff Andersen, resident of Old Town, stated that dust control is an issue with the construction at station 81. Mike Johnson said he'd look into it.

Nevada Division of Forestry – Jorge Gonzales reported that since May 26th there have been 23 multiple calls, medical and auto related. A couple auto accidents were severe and several hiking accidents. Special staffing for 4th of July weekend includes an extra brush truck, patrol and engine, Saturday thru Monday. There have been medical calls on trails and people do not know where they are. Please make sure your guests know the names of the trail heads and where they are.

Las Vegas Valley Water District – Jordan Bunker reported the water levels are "Sustainable", Echo well 3 is 23 feet below ground level. Every well is between 20 to 40 feet above last year's readings. There are some leaks at resident's lots.

Tom Padden asked how successful is the leak detection? Jordan Bunker stated it is way better than the Valley, we can actually read your meter from the office in town.

Rates- the TAB asked what would happen if we lock in the interest rate? Research showed that the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection gives out low interest loans at 3½%. In 2017 or 2018 everything should be paid off.

Mt. Charleston Volunteer Fire Dept. – Deb Martin reported the VDF has 3 new EMT's, 2 basic and 1 intermediate and 4 more starting classes soon. Luke Ham stated that the VDF received 2 grants totaling around \$66,000.00 for Advanced Life Support equipment, and rescue equipment but the funding has been temporarily frozen. Hope to have the money in a few months.

Visitors Impact Task Force – Becky Grismanauskas absent.

United States Forest Service – Stephanie Phillips absent. Pat Fitzgibbons stated he received a letter from Stephanie on how to file complaints about the Upper Kyle project. Ed, president of the equestrian group, stated if you read the proposal it states that it was written in 200f and will help with the parking issues.

Eric Fricker recommends closure of the parking area in the winter.

Becky Grismanauskas asked if anyone has a list of all email addresses to send complaints to, to please send out a copy.

Ed stated that we need to also send comments and complaints to our Senators, Commissioners, and the Governor.

Clark County Administrative Services – Chris Munhall had the board members present sign the by-Laws. The School District is keeping Lundy Elementary open for another year.

SB 232 – Allowing the county's 5 acres and the 3 parcels owned by LVSSR to be rezoned. The law passed effective October 1, 2011. The County has no immediate plans for the 5 acres. The temporary fence line did not last for discouraging sledding. The county is looking into better ideas.

AB 59 – Open meeting law requirement passed. It states there has to be 2 public comment periods, one at the beginning and one at the end. In the alternative, town boards can have a statement at the top of the agenda stating that all items on the agenda are for public comment. The agenda must also identify all action items next to that item; a blanket statement on the agenda that all items are for action unless otherwise noted is no longer sufficient. Every ten years when the Census is taken the county has to look at the Commission districts. The county hired a consultant. Three public workshops have taken place and there are proposed maps for the new districts to even out the districts. This way all Commissioners will have about the same number of constituents. There will be two public meetings about Commission redistricting, the first is July 6th at 6pm in the Commissioners Chambers, and the second is July 8th through the 15th, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Government Center Rotunda. SB 396 - The License Plate Fund passed. The shift of administration to Clark County will take effect July 1st. State Lands will send all monies to Clark County. Round 3 has not been impacted by this bill but State Lands has chosen not to administer Round 3 so there will be a delay in getting recipients their funding. Becky Grismanauskas thanked Chris Munhall for all his help on SB 396.

Connie Van Horne asked when will LVSSR get zoning for the tubing area below Lady in the Snow. Chris Munhall replied that LVSSR has to apply for the zoning.

Stephanie Myers asked when we can vote again for the enhanced 911 bill. Chris Munhall replied that the bill has to go back on a general election ballot.

Nevada Fire Safe Council – Kim Otero reported that 24 tons of pine needles were picked up, and 150 tons of chipping. NFSC wants to thank Spring Mt. Youth Camp for all their help. NFSC spent 50% less than last year. NFSC is undergoing an audit. Contractors are taking a month off, and then will return to finish the work. Arbor Scape Tree Care has 12 guys; Affordable Tree Care has 3 to 4 guys. All the employees have been around and are familiar faces. NFSC did not want any new people with all the burglaries happening. Want the residents to feel comfortable. On September 18, 19, 20th will be the Urban Wild Land Interface annual conference in Reno. The NFSC is noticing that the out of state owners are concerned and are making an effort to take care of their property. NFSC is working on a particular concern about a property in Rainbow Subdivision, then moving to Lee Canyon. It's all about defensible space. Keep your property lean and clean.

Nevada Highway Patrol – No report.

Nevada Division of Transportation - No report.

Other Agencies – No report.

TOWN ADVISORY BOARD COMMITTEE CHAIR REPORTS

Roads – Curtis Alexander absent

Public Response – Mike McGroarty no report

Kyle Canyon Water District – George Togliatti no report

Fire Protection District – Becky Grismanauskas absent

License Plate – Pat Fitzgibbons, report was given by Chris Munhall

CORRESPONDENCE - None

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION -

Set Next Meeting Date. There is a Special Call meeting scheduled for January 13, 2011. The next regular meeting will be *Thursday*, *July 28, 2011*.

The meeting was adjourned.